

# H. R. 172.

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DECEMBER 15, 1820.

Read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

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## A BILL

*For the relief of Benjamin Tyler and John Tyler.*

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2   *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*  
3   it shall and may be lawful for the Secretary of State, on ap-  
4   plication in writing by Benjamin Tyler and John Tyler, to  
5   issue letters patent, to be made out in the manner and form  
6   prescribed by the act, entitled "An act to promote the pro-  
7   gress of the useful arts, and to repeal the act heretofore made  
8   for that purpose," thereby granting to said Benjamin Tyler  
9   and John Tyler, their heirs, executors, administrators, and as-  
10   signs, for a term not exceeding fourteen years, the full and  
11   exclusive right and liberty of making, constructing, using, and  
12   vending to others to be used, all the privileges and benefits  
13   heretofore granted by letters patent to Benjamin Tyler, for  
14   improvements in the construction of a water wheel, called

15 the wry-fly water wheel, applicable to various kinds of mills  
16 and machinery: *Provided*, That no person who may have pur-  
17 chased a licence to use the said improvement from any one  
18 authorized to sell the same, shall be obliged to renew such li-  
19 cense or be subject to damages for not renewing the same:  
20 *Provided, also*, That no person who shall have put in use the  
21 said improvement, since the expiration of the former grants,  
22 and before the issuing of said patent, shall be liable to dama-  
23 ges therefor; and, that the said patentees shall in no case ex-  
24 ceed their former prices for the use of the said improvement.